Natural Resources Conservation Service

Application Ranking Summary

AMA Cropland LRF

Program:	Ranking Date:	Application Number:
Ranking Tool: AMA Cropland LRF		Applicant:
Final Ranking Score:		Address:
Planner:		Telephone:
Farm Location:		

National Priorities Addressed

Issue Questions	
Clean and Abundant Water: Water Quality - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
1. a. Construct or improve watershed management or irrigation structures?	
1. b. Reduce sediment, nutrients or pesticides from agricultural operations located within a field that adjoins a designated impaired water body?	
1. c. Reduce sediment, nutrients or pesticides from agricultural operations located within a field that adjoins a water body?	
Clean Air: Treatment of Air Quality from Agricultural Sources – Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
2. a. Plant trees to form windbreaks?	Yes O or No O
2. b. Reduce green house gases such as methane, nitrous oxide, and volatile organic compounds (VOC)?	Yes O or No O
2. c. Meet regulatory requirements relating to air quality or proactively avoid the need for regulatory measures?	
High Quality, Productive Soils Erosion Reduction – Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
3. a. Reduce erosion to tolerable limits (Soil "T")?	
Healthy Plant and Animal Communities: Wildlife Habitat Conservation – Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
4. a. Benefit threatened and endangered, at-risk, candidate, or species of concern as identified in a State wildlife plan?	
4. b. Retain wildlife and plant benefits on land exiting the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP)?	Yes O or No O
High Quality, Productive Soils, Healthy Plant and Animal Communities: Special Environmental Efforts/Initiatives – Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
5. a. Increase, improve or establish pollinator habitat?	
5. b. Transition to organic farming?	Yes O or No O
5. c. Implement an Integrated Pest Management plan?	
Strategic Initiative - Energy Conservation and Sustainable Production Energy Conservation - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
6. a. Reduce energy consumption on the agricultural operation?	Yes O or No O
Business Lines – Conservation Implementation Additional Ranking Considerations - Will the proposed project result in:	
7. a. Implementation of all planned conservation practices within three years of contract obligation?	
7. b. Improvement of existing conservation practices or conservation systems already in place at the time the application is accepted, or will complete an existing conservation system?	
Does the applicant meet the following conditions:	
8. a. If the applicant has an existing AMA contract, has it been, and it is now, on schedule and in full compliance?	
8. b. Did the applicant successfully complete any past contract(s) in full compliance?	
8. c. Is this the applicant's first AMA application?	Yes O or No O

State Issues Addressed

Issue Questions	
1. Is the proposed treatment area used to produce food, fiber, or stabilized organic amendments for sale at local markets?	
2. Does the proposed contract include application of an integrated pest management plan or a nutrient management plan?	
3. Does the proposed contract include practices to improve irrigation efficiency?	
4. Does the proposed contract include changes in current practices to reduce use of carbon based energy or use off-grid, non-carbon energy sources?	
5. Is the applicant in transition to a USDA certified organic operation?	

Local Issues Addressed

Issue Questions	
1. Will products from the application acreage be marketed 50 miles or less from the production site?	Yes O or No O
2. Will products from the application acreage be marketed over 50 but less than 100 miles from the production site?	Yes O or No O
3. Are non-chemical pest control methods planned on the application acreage?	Yes O or No O
4. Is practice 449, irrigation water management planned on the acreage in the application?	
5. Will the proposed contract help reduce production risks through operation diversification?	Yes O or No O
6. Will the proposed treatments reduce crop damage using passive, organic measures?	Yes O or No O
7. Will the applicant agree to complete all practices in the first three years of the contract?	Yes O or No O

Land Use:

Resource Concerns	Practices
Ranking Score	
Efficiency:	
Local Issues:	
State Issues:	
National Issues:	
Final Ranking Score:	

This ranking report is for your information. It does not in any way guarantee funding. When funding becomes available, you will be notified if your application is selected for funding. Some changes to the application may be required before a final contract is awarded.

Notes:

	Application Signature Not Required for Contract Development unless required by State policy:
Signature Date:	Signature Date: